THE HON'BLE Ms. JUSTICE G. ROHINI

WRIT PETITION NO. 14681 of 2007

DATE: 10-07-2007

Between :

P.Koteswara Rao and another

… Petitioner

And

Sri Dandeswara Swamyvari Devasthanam,
Rep., by its Executive Officer,
Prathipadu Mandal,
Guntur District and another.

… Respondents

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ORDER:

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and perused the material on record.

Under the notice dated 09-05-2007 issued by the first respondent, the petitioners herein were called upon to pay the balance of lease amount within a period of 15 days, failing which the lease in favour of the petitioners stands cancelled.

The petitioners did not dispute their liability but only pleaded for extension of time stating that they could not cultivate the lands and incurred losses due to heavy rains.

If that be so, it is always open to the petitioners to make an appropriate representation before the respondents 1 and 2, explaining the reasons for their inability and seeking extension of time. Without approaching the respondents, the petitioners cannot straightaway invoke the jurisdiction under Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

Accordingly, granting leave and liberty to the petitioners to make an appropriate representation before the respondents, the writ petition is disposed of. It is made clear that in case such representation is made within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, the same shall be entertained and considered by the respondents in accordance with law. Till appropriate orders are passed on their representation, the *status quo* obtaining as on today as to the nature and possession of the

land in question shall be maintained. No costs.

G. ROHINI, J.

Date:10-07-2007
Note:Issue C.C. by tomorrow,
B/o
KLP